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tion, he should require that the objects obtained shall be placed in some of the museums of New York or Washington. The educational interests of our country require all the aid that collections and museums can give, and future generations will doubtless be increasingly awake to their importance, and will hold in high esteem those who create or sustain them.

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## RECENT LITERATURE.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HAYDEN SURVEY FOR 1877.<sup>1</sup>—This is another permanently valuable contribution to the geological literature of the Western United States. The unusually fine and numerous illustrations accompanying it, add much to its value. Part I, geology and palæontology, comprises over 600 pages, illustrated by seventy-six admirably executed maps and sections, and ten plates illustrating invertebrate fossils.

This part is chiefly made up of reports by the chiefs of divisions and districts, of which there are five. Dr. Endlich, in his Report on the Geology of the Sweetwater district, seems to have given special attention to the mineral resources and economic geology of that region, and it is illustrated by six admirably executed geological sections of the country traversed. Dr. White's Report on the Cretaceous fossils, illustrated by ten magnificent plates, needs no comment, as the author's well-known reputation is a sufficient guarantee of the quality of the work. Orestes St. John has had charge of the work of the Téton division, which seems to have been very thoroughly done, being illustrated by thirty-nine maps and sections of the region traversed by his party. The Green River division, in charge of Dr. A. C. Peale has done good work, care being taken to give proper credit to those who had previously worked in the same field; twenty-nine maps and sections, together with analytical and ordinary landscape views, illustrate Dr. Peale's Report on the Green River country.

Part II relates to the topographical work carried on by A. D. Wilson and Henry Gannett, topographers of the survey, by whom the work of triangulation seems to have been conducted with great care. Altogether, the volume before us is a good example of the high degree of skill attained by Dr. Hayden and his assistants, not only in carrying on their field work on a large scale, but also in presenting its results in graphic and readily available form for the use of the reading public.

RECENT BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS.—Palæontographica. Band XXVI, Heft 3. Beiträge zur Kenntniss der fossilen Fische der Karpathen, Von Dragutin Kramber.

<sup>1</sup> *Eleventh Annual Report of the United States Geological and Geographical Survey of the Territories, embracing Idaho and Wyoming*, being a Report of Progress of the Exploration for the year 1877. By F. V. Hayden, United States Geologist. 8vo, pp. 720, 86 maps, plates and sections. Washington, D. C., 1879. Advance copy, issued April, 1880.)